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For: **FLOATING INTERPOSER**

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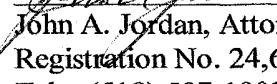
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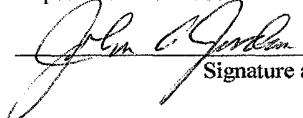
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action of March 25, 2003, please
amend the application as follows in the summary of all claims presented: